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Juniors Start
Competitive Issues

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More and More
About the "First" Extra

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This issue is the first of the four competitive issues to be put out by the junior reporters, and it is positively a pleasure to sit back and think that all we have to do this week is type off this and the editorial column. We take this opportunity to state that any complaints on the four issues should be addressed to the junior in charge of production, and not to us.

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Never again will we make such an unqualified statement as that we made in regard to the extra edition printed a while back. Two more letters have turned up on the subject, and it looks as if extras were common events in pre-war years. R. W. Leavenworth, '14, writes us that his extra edition came out in 1913 all right, but that George Lyon, '13, put out a similar edition on the Union game the year before. Another correspondent, Norman W. Adams, '16, states that he was circulation manager of an extra printed after the St. Lawrence game during the same year as Mr. Lyon's original. Let us now state that we believe, as far as we can tell, that our extra was the first printed without any previous thought or arrangement in the middle of the night. Now, let the letters pour in challenging this statement.

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The Pi Delta Epsilon Poll has met with remarkable success to date, and it looks as if most undergraduates sat back in their chairs and did some heavy thinking when they filled out the blanks. The next step is to try the faculty and see what they have to say. When the results are tabulated, and Pi Delt is trying to get them done by next week, they will be published; and from the answered questionaires we've seen, there should be lots to print.

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Mr. Sebring's talk Monday night to the staff was supposed to scare most of us away from the idea of taking up journalism as a profession. We had no idea of getting into newspaper work before we heard his talk but now we're all for the idea. The picture of newspaper life he painted is the best we've heard yet, and we've already started a string of letters to various newspaper editors stating our remarkable qualifications. All we write is that we know nothing about it, and if that isn't crazy enough to get us a job, then Mr.

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Weld's New Trip To Cover Jersey

William E. Weld, assistant director of admissions, will start this week on his third field trip of the current year. The purpose of these trips is to meet potential Hamilton men and tell them something about the college. Mr. Weld has already visited the New York and Buffalo areas, and on this trip will cover New Jersey schools. Among these will be Pingry, Lawrenceville, Peddie, Newark Academy and numerous high schools.

On his New York trip, Mr. Weld visited Trinity School, Collegiate, the Birch-Wathen School, Riverdale, Poly Prep, and Adelphi and spoke at a "college night" held at the Garden City High School.

Among the schools Mr. Weld stopped at in the Buffalo area were Lockport, Albion, Tonowanda, and Kenmore High Schools, the Bennett High School in Buffalo, and Nichols and Canisius Schools.

Faculty Delays New Cut Rules

Undergraduate Opposition Secures Postponement Pending New Study

Nothing Decided

Present Cut System Will Prevail Pending More Investigation By Faculty Committee

The indefinite suspension of the new cut system, pending a study of the whole subject, was voted by the faculty Monday afternoon, according to a statement issued by Dean Frank H. Ristine.

The faculty decided, in a formal statement, "that the proposals earlier adopted by the faculty fixing absences before and after vacation be continued in suspension—and that the former rule meanwhile prevail—pending investigation of the whole subject of the attendance system and, if possible, complete reorganization."

The action by the faculty is the culmination of a vigorous student campaign against the change, which began with a midnight meeting of undergraduates at the Delta Upsilon house January 10, 1939. Faced by talk of a student strike the next day, President Cowley, who was at the meeting, appointed an undergraduate committee to consider the proposed change and report student feelings on the mater.

Weeden Chosen Sophomore Head

Willis F. Weeden, '41, was elected president of the sophomore class last week. Gordon M. Hayes, '41 and Robert W. Towner, '41, were chosen as vice-president and secretary-treasurer respectively.

Weeden, a letterman in football, who was injured early in the season and forced to remain out of rest of the games, is a member of Delta Upsilon. While in his freshman year he earned his numerals in football and basketball. Weeden succeeds Edward H. Abbey, '41.

Hayes, a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, earned his letter this year in hockey. Last year he was on the frosh soccer and hockey team.

Towner, an Emerson Literary Society man, played on the frosh fooball, basketball, and baseball team last year.

Quadrangle Club to Treat Sophomores At Banquet

The incoming freshmen members of the Quadrangle Club will be hosts to twenty sophomore members of the organization at a banquet Friday night.

This party, which will be held in the Hotel Utica, is an annual affair. It serves as an initiation for the freshmen who have to foot the bill.

Varsity Awards Are Announced

Thirty Hockey, Basketball, Ski Men to Be Honored At College Dinner

Thirty winter sports athletes were awarded varsity recognition for their services during the current season, according to recent announcements from Coaches Albert I. Prettyman, Arthur R. Winters and Mox A. Weber. Varsity sweaters and certificates will be granted the recipients of the awards at a dinner, plans for which have not yet been announced.

Seventeen hockey players will receive the varsity citations, while eight members of the basketball squad and five members of the ski team will also be honored, their seasons having been concluded. Awards in fencing will be made after the intercollegiate meet in New York during the spring vacation.

The recipients of the hockey varsity awards are Captain Bob Hayes, captain-elect, Murray Gardner, Bill Hummer, Gus Erickson, Sam Lake, George Vicary, Ralph Nichols, Steve Remis, Bill Joy, Gordon Hayes, Robert Merriman, Walt Rogers, Legare Hole, Tom Bush, Ed Abbey, Larry Miller, and Don LeFevre.

Basketball awards will go to Captain Jim Quimby, Bob Forbush, Jack Williams, Malcolm Ellison, Charley Keane, Bill Davis, Jack Thomas, and Walt Roider.

Members of the ski team to receive sweaters include Bill Barlow, captain; Joe Cardamone, George Bonney, Henry Eagle, and Hamilton Gouge.

Managers for next year are: Donald S. Connell, hockey; and Robert M. Langdon, basketball.

Assistant managers appointed from the sophomore class include John T. Symes, Jr., hockey; A. Walter Godard, basketball; and Stephen Angell, skiing.

Dr. Saunders Will Retire To Grow Peonies, Lecture

"You can say that Chemistry 2 are a lot of bums—they'll do anything to get out of working," Dr. Saunders laughingly replied when approached by your correspondent. Then he turned around and fiddled with some test tubes and flasks, in response to the queries of the afternoon lab-students. When he had finished compounding some blue liquid, he turned around, smiled, and said:

"What am I going to do in June? I'm going to retire. I thought everybody around here knew that. What am I going to do after I retire? Why, I'm going to grow peonies!" And "Stink" went back to his test tubes and inquiring freshmen. He answered their questions, mixed some more liquid, repeated a few more formulae, and finally returned to your gaping correspondent.

"Everybody knows my history," he began. "I've been here at Hamilton since 1900—I've been working on peonies with sense for about twenty years, and without sense for twenty years before that. What did I do before I came here? Well, I was at different universities, here and in Europe. You might say I've been around somewhat, but that's all prehistoric."

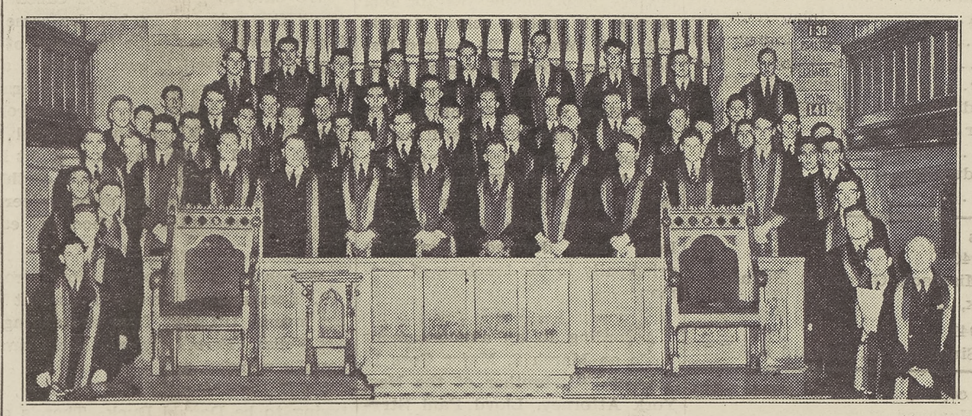
Back to the test tubes again, back to the freshmen, back to the liquid, which by this time was orange.

Responding to a question about his definite plans, Dr. Saunders said:

"I'm going to live here on the Hill, lecture to garden clubs and horticultural societies, and maybe go south in the winter. I suppose you won't want any more information." And he threw on a coat, shouted good-bye to the late-workers, and was off to a faculty meeting.

It doesn't seem right that he should be leaving us. His many years of service have made him so much a part of the college that his familiar figure will be sorely missed. Those of us who have enjoyed his youthful wit poignant criticisms, have laughed at his amusing reminiscences of days gone by, or have cringed under his good natured scoldings will find it hard to make the chem lab seem like home next year.

Annual Concert Trip Successfully Concluded



College Choir of 65 Voices

Semester's First Warning Finds Underclassmen Down 434 Hours

The first scholastic warnings under the new system were posted last week after but five weeks of the semester had been concluded. The revised schedule calls for the issuance of two sets of warnings to lax underclassmen during the semester. The next postings will appear sometime in the latter part of April.

A total of 434 hours of potential failures were chalked up by the two lower classes in this latest tabulation of which 337 hours are credited to freshmen.

Speaker Explains Chinese Problem

The situation in China was explained to the audience of Mr. John McMichael, graduate of Emery University in Georgia, at the Theta Delta Chi House last Wednesday night. Mr. McMichael, a representative of the Student Christian Movement, had recently returned from China, where he had been studying the colleges and universities.

Taking up the first sections of China which are under Japanese rule, Mr. McMichael described how completely the chinese are dominated by their invaders. He said that the Japanese are even trying to mould the minds of young children, by making them say only complimentary things about the new government. No one is allowed to criticize it. According to the speaker, all the colleges and universities have been closed by the Japanese.

Then taking up the western section of China, which is still under Chinese rule, Mr. McMichael showed how the people are improving their educational system, social, economic, and general living conditions. The Chinese spirit refuses to be broken, he said. All of the people firmly believe that they will ultimately be victorious.

Choirmen Enjoy Week-end, Special Train Features Trip

Despite the bad weather which they took along with them during the entire tour, the members of the choir enjoyed a better-than-average trip last week-end.

The special dining car, with the printed choir menus, were a source of amazement to the new men; but the old men also got their share of surprises, as on the trip southward the choir had two special cars, with a seating capacity of 180. Mr. Johnson claims that he asked for only one car, but that the company thought that a group of 60 some men needed two cars and so arranged it.

The return train was a complete special, there being a dining car, the two regular coaches, a smoking car, and three other coaches for braking power. Outside of the train crew, there was no one on board but the members of the choir.

The high spot of the week-end, as far as social life went, was the Saturday night stop in Essex Fells. The concert was received with more than the usual enthusiastic applause, and the Young Peoples Fellowship of St. Paul's Church of the New Jersey town made arrangements for a dance for the choir men afterwards..

Miss Beth Maxwell, chairman of both affairs, did a very successful job in rounding up dates for all of the Hillmen. She also made arrangements for the refreshments at the dance, which had as the piece de resistance a keg of beer.

The after-concert party was held at the home of Mrs. Paul Warriner, and broke up slightly after midnight with the singing of "Heda", "Carissima", and "Gather Close" by the Hamiltonians.

Sunday turned out to be a complete Hamilton day. The ushers at the Magic Key broadcast were Bud Materne, '38, and Kim Renwick, '37, and despite the scarcity of seats, many Hamiltonians managed to get into the studio. At the services held at St. Thomas', the attendance was swelled by the presence of many alumni, members of the class of 1938 being most in evidence.

The anti-climatic end of the trip came about in the refusal of the

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Hamilton Juniors Debate in Albany

Last Friday evening in Albany, Ralph Hansmann and William Griffith met two representatives of the Albany State Teachers College in an informal debate. The subject of the discussion was Resolved: that a System of State Medicine be Adopted. No decision was granted, nor were there any rebuttals. The Hamilton men presented the negative side of the question, and their opponents argued in favor of the state medicine system. Following the main speeches, the audience questioned the speakers about their arguments.

On Friday noon of this week, at the Hotel Utica, Hansmann and Griffith will again discuss this question in an extension debate before the women of the Rotary Club of Utica. Their opponents will be two Hamilton juniors—Harry McCormick and Murray Shepp, who will uphold the system of state medicine.

Dr. Thomas Smith Defends Politics

Last Monday night, Dr. Thomas V. Smith, Professor of Psychology at the University of Chicago, addressed a college audience in the Chapel on the subject of "The Promise of American Politics". Discussing the problems of present day democracy, Professor Smith claimed that the division of labor in this country has a demoralizing effect upon society here.

Professor Smith's interest in politics has carried him from the position of State Senator in Illinois to that of Representative at large for the same state in the national legislature. Stating from experience, therefore, Dr. Smith said that the high idealistic enterprise of educators can no longer solve the problems of the day by the use of the usual methods of preaching. The politicians, whose methods we often dislike, are the only people who keep our democracy together, and that is because they act as the compromising force between the two divisions of society.

Dr. Smith kept the audience in high spirits with frequent use of witty expressions and poetry. Aside from his work in the fields of education and politics, he is also interested in keeping Americans up on their politics through the median of the radio. To do this, every Tuesday night, Dr. Smith debates some important political question with Senator Robert Taft from Ohio.

"Don't Try to Be Newspaperman!" Veteran Editor Warns "Life" Staff

"Don't be a newspaperman. If you become one, you will degenerate mentally, morally, and physically."

So stated Mr. Lewis B. Sebring, night city editor of the "New York Herald-Tribune", who spoke to the staff of **Life** last Monday night.

Mr. Sebring, who is now on vacation, is an alumnus of Union. While attending college, he was a member of the "Concordensis" Union's newspaper, and a member of Pi Delta Epsilon.

After speaking to the **Life** staff on mechanical matters of newspaper makeup, he told briefly of his work on the Herald-Tribune and passed around a collection of "boners" which appeared in the first editions of many papers.

When asked for his opinion of newspaper men, Mr. Sebring answered that they were all slightly crazy. He went on to add that it was almost impossible to break into journalism field in New York, as the waiting list for positions is now numbered in the thousands.

"We have taken on only one reporter in the last 13 months," he said, "and he was Nathaniel Benchley, son of Robert Benchley."

When asked if many of the men working on the "Tribune" were graduates of journalism schools, he snorted loudly, said "No" emphatically three times, and said that there was only one man he knew of his paper's staff who was a graduate of a journalism school.

"However," he went on, "if you want to be a newspaperman, get on some small town paper. Most of the Herald-Tribune editors are small town boys; only one of them is a New Yorker."

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Choir Concerts Are Successful

Dance in Essex Fells Tops Social Program; Radio Broadcast Good

Thompson Soloist

Enthusiastic Audiences Greeted Choristers Everywhere on Annual Tour

The choir returned to the Hill Sunday night after completing a very successful trip. Although the attendance at the concerts and the traveling conditions were affected adversely by the weather, the tour was very well received.

The Albany concert was arranged by William K. Collins, '02. The crowd at the Capitol City was enthusiastic, and the choir members will remember with great pleasure the dinner at the Hotel Ten Eyck before Friday's concert.

In Essex Fells Saturday night, the audience jammed the hall where the concert was held. After the choir's appearance, a dance was held at the home of Mrs. Ruel C. Warriner. Refreshments were served, and the choir members received a warm welcome from the younger set in the New Jersey town. Charles H. Seaver, '21, headed the committee arranging the Essex Fells appearance.

For alumni and the students on the Hill, the broadcast Sunday was the important feature of the trip. Alexander Woollcott, acting as master of ceremonies for the choir, read the 23rd and 121st psalms while the choir hummed an accompaniment. Mr. Woollcott said that no matter what our real mother and our alma mater, Hamilton, may lack, they are dear to our hearts because they are both our own. Immediately after the broadcast Mr. Woollcott left for California.

Only 150 seats were available for guests, since the Magic Key Program was shifted to a smaller studio to make room for a rehearsal of the Charlie McCarthy program which has come east for two weeks. Mr. Russell Thompson, '24, sang the solo on the radio broadcast. Mr. Thompson was a member of the choir for four years while in college.

After the evening service at St. Thomas' Church, New York, where the group sang several selections, the choir boarded the train for home. Six of the group missed the train but arrived on the Hill after taking later trains.

Professor Paul A. Fancher and Wallace B. Johnson received the congratulations of the faculty, alumni, and student body for a well-managed and well-received tour.

Seniors Chosen For Prize Debate

The faculty Monday officially confirmed the appointment of four seniors to take part in the annual McKinney Prize Debate to be held in the Chapel Wednesday, March 22.

Frank Merritt and W. Allenby Jones will oppose Oliver Treyz and Alan McMillen in a discussion of resolved: that indoctrination in education is necessary for the preservation of democracy. Jones and Merritt will uphold the affirmative, while McMillen and Treyz will take the negative side.

The McKinney Prize Debate is made possible by a foundation of $1,500 given by Charles McKinney. Each year four men are selected from the senior class on the basis of excellence in debating who are to compete for the annual prizes. First prize to the best speaker is 50 dollars, and the runner up is awarded 25 dollars.

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ATTENDANCE AT LECTURES

A discouraging comparison between the students at Syracuse and those at Hamilton can be drawn from the attendance at lectures given at both institutions last week by Mr. Jack McMichael, noted young author and traveller.

When Mr. McMichael spoke at Syracuse University, only students who paid the 50 cents admission fee, or those who owned tickets for the year's lecture series, were admitted. There was an extremely large and enthusiastic audience in attendance. When Mr. McMichael spoke at Hamilton College on the following evening at the Theta Delta Chi house, where no admission was charged *only one or two men beside those in the fraternity were present.*

It is genrally the case that very few undergraduates attend lectures on the Hill. It seemed doubly unfortunate last Wednesday that so few heard Mr. McMichael, as his talk was given almost entierely for undergraduates. We realize that assignments and the always-present quizzes were responsible for keeping many undergraduates away, but not all those who stayed away could suddenly have felt the urge to study. Certainly, in the case of last week's lecture which was announced far in advance, more students could have planned their time in order to be able to spend an hour or two at the talk. It is more than likely that indifference was responsible for the negligible turn-out. Such indifference among Hamilton undergraduates is to be deplored.

A suggestion we would like to make is that attendance at a certain number of lectures a year be required of each undergraduate. If this were done, important speakers would leave the Hill with a much higher regard for Hamilton students than they carry away now.

AFTER MORNING CHAPEL

A subject we have talked about before is that of order in leaving the chapel. Once again it seems necessary to speak of the situation, as many upperclassmen have complained to us during the past few weeks about the disorderly exit after morning chapel.

There can be no doubt that the morning exodus has been growing less and less organized, and that something should be done about it. Sophomores and freshmen push their way out in front of seniors and juniors, and receiving no reprimands, make it a usual practice.

We have heard the sentiment expressed that either Pentagon or the Interfraternity Council should do something about this breach of seniority rule, but we are opposed to the idea. Last year, a similar situation arose, and when an announcement was made regarding order in leaving chapel, the trouble was cleared up only temporarily. Our suggestion is that members of the upper classes get together and put any underclassmen back in their place when they attempt to leave before their time. Certainly such constant correction should remedy the situation. If it doesn't, then we approve of having the matter taken up by some undergraduate organization. Perhaps it will be necessary to have such a high school trick done as reading an announcement on the subject every morning that chapel is held.

SCRUB MANAGERS NEEDED

A coach recently complained to us that there are not enough scrub managers trying out. Although the positions give their holders varsity sports awards, the managerial race is all but dead, and it is often a fighting job for the coaches to get enough good men to fill the posts. As the position is important and carries such a high reward, we suggest that the heads of the houses force their idle underclassmen to go out as scrub managers.

Alumni Notes

By Professor Edward Fitch

The reappointment by Governor Lehman of Hon. William H. Hochkiss, '86, as a member of the State Insurance Board, was confirmed by the State Senate on March 7. Mr. Hotchkiss was Superintendent of Insurance from 1909 to 1912 by appointment of Governor Hughes, and is now serving the State in an advisory capacity. He is in the active practice of law in New York City.

Two modern language teachers deserve honorable mention for long service in public school work. Fobert B. Marvin, '29, retired last Septmeber after thirty nine years of teaching in the Alexander Hamilton High School, Brooklyn. Elmer W. Triess, '01, is still active as head of the foreign language department of the Weequahic High School, Newark, N. J., where he has been for over three decades. Both have devoted themselves principally to the teaching of German.

According to an announcement made on March 6, Major Goss L. Stryker, '01, brother of the New York Attorney, Lloyd Paul Stryker, '06, has been elected president of the Maryland State Fair, Inc., which operates the Laurel race tracks. He has been secretary of the American Trainers Association since its inception and is the owner of a 400-acre breeding farm near Timonium, Md.

The Christopher Publishing House of Boston brought out last month a volume of brief sermons by Rev. R. J. Williams, '09, pastor of a Welsh Presbyterian church in Scranton, Pa. The title of the book, taken from the first sermon, is: "The Creed of a Slave".

Dr. Harold W. Thompson, '12, of the State College at Albany, spoke over station WGY, at 12:45, on the second Wednesday in March, on Irish Folk Songs, as they have survived among American families of Irish lineage. He will be heard again on the second Wednesday in April.

Rev. Paul S. Olver, '24, rector of Zion Church, Rome, addressed the Oneida Historical Society on March 13 on "The Early History of the Episcopal Church in the Mohawk Valley".

Dr. Frederick S. Ellison, '29, of West Hartford, Conn., was mentioned in the press of March 8 as the personal physician of Federal Judge Edwin S. Thomas who took part in the consultation when Judge Thomas was taken for treatment to the NeuroPsychiatric Institute of Hartford.

Report has been received of the convalescence of Dr. John Rodger, '31, of Providence, R. I., who was for a time in an Albany hospital because of serious injuries received in a traffic accident on February 10.

The marriage of Miss Mary Louise Johns, daughter of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin M. Johns, to Clarence M. Nesbitt, '35, will take place on March 25 in the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Wilmington, Del. Mr. Nesbitt is treasurer of the Carromeal Company, West Brookfield, Mass.

Joseph B. Shaw, Jr., '38, and Miss Phyllis Williams of Canton were married February 11 in Albany. The bride attended St. Lawrence University. They will make their home in Utica.

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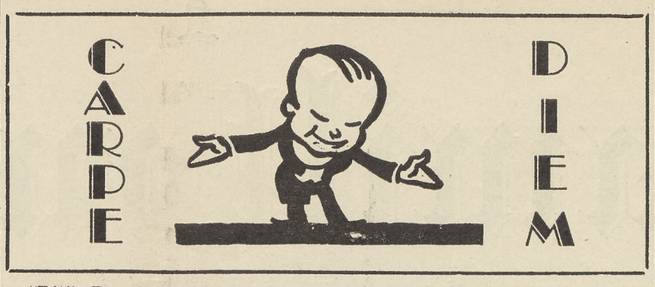

"Dit" Beardslee, long, stringy, and mentally sketchy freshman flash, swears that he is acquainted with a race of New Jersey treedwellers who wear nothing but animal skins. Carpe also knows of several members of the student body who are very intimate with a race of Lilliputian green men with long brown noses and immense silver hammers who pester said people on Sunday mornings.

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We hate to give the good educator at the bottom of the hill so much free advertising, but for some inexplicable reason, his laboratory always seems to be the scene of noteworthy events. Last Saturday night a well known "miner", arrayed in the usual boots and buckskins, after he had spent several hours at a particularly exacting experiment, suddenly lost control of himself and started to pepper the intimates of the peaceful school with brine-soaked eggs. Many a well known bar-fly brought home to his wife more than just a perfumed breath as a result of this bombardment. The aforementioned miner completely commandeered the place until Mike, the lab assistant, graciously let school out early.

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Echoes from the recent choral cross-country:

1. Freshman Freemeyer feels that he is in heaven when surrounded by several tittering females ranging from twelve to fourteen (Essex Fells). Personally, we like them plump, around thirty, and unhappily married.

2. We would advise Mr. Parker, also of the green hat, to stop trying to be Donald Duck. There's enough of those around here already.

3. Prof. Fancher, Ham Col's one and only Maecenas, organized a vigilante committee to keep the members of the choir from any form of intemperate imbibition during the famous itinerary. "I hope that you will hit...yes, sock...anybody you catch drinking," said the good prof. Tsk, tsk, Mr. Fancher.

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Dr. Halford Luccock Preaches in Chapel

Using as his text "Go tell that fox" from the thirteenth chapter of the Gospel of Luther, Dr. Halford E. Luccock of the Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Connecticut, delivered his sermon last Sunday in the college chapel.

Dr. Luccock described Jesus as a sophisticated person with a keen and penetrating mind, as opposed to the naive person as he was generally depicted. Jesus, Dr. Luccock added, was a dangerous man to fool, for he knew what was about him and what was in man. Jesus was free from emotionalized thinking and very skeptical.

Dr. Luccock showed that there were two interpretations of sophistication. Today, it means the "ho-hum" attitude of the one who thinks he knows everything, and who is generally bored with life. Jesus, however, was sophisticated because he challenged the axioms of the day, just as science has always challenged axioms; and just as science made progress in its field by this method, Jesus made progress in the moral dectrines of the time.

Dr. Edmans of Columbia To Lecture on Philosophy

To continue the series of Chapel lectures, Professor Irwin Edmans of the Philosophy Department at Columbia University will speak, Friday, March 17, on the subject "Philosophy and the Social Crisis".

Professor Edmans has been on the faculty at Columbia since 1920, during which period he has written six books which have contributed much to the field of Philosophy. Dr. Edmans' journalistic fame also rests in his noted contributions to such periodicals as the Nation, Harpers, the Saturday Review of Literature. He has also written for the New York Times and the Herald Tribune.

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Gardner Chosen Hockey Leader

Forbush Named Captain-Elect of Basketball, Eagle to Head Next Year's Ski Team

Murray H. Gardner, '40, is to succeed Robert U. Hayes, Jr., '39, as captain of the Hamilton hockey squad. Gardner, who was elected by the vote of the 18 letterment of this year's team, has served two years as defense man. Last year Gardner played a full 60 minutes of each game, and this year he missed only 40 minutes of the Massachusetts State game, when an ankle injury caused his withdrawal after the first period.

Gardner, president of the present junior class, was the only sophomore last year to receive letters in three sports. Besides hockey, he played tackle on the football team, and is a weight man in track.

This morning after Chapel lettermen of two athletic teams met to choose their leaders for next year.

Bob Forbush was elected captain of the Continental basketball squad for the next season to succeed present captain Quimby. Forbush, a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, has played two seasons as a regular on the varsity.

Henry Eagle was selected by his teammates to lead the Buff and Blue ski squad next winter. Eagle, who never skied until he came to Hamilton, was a consistent point winner on the present edition of the team. He is a member of Alpha Delta Phi.

A meeting of track lettermen failed to reach a majority vote for captain of the present team.

Sigs Down LCA For Hockey Title

A hockey sextet representing Sigma Phi fraternity beat the Lambda Chi Alpha outfit yesterday 5-2 to annex the interfraternity ice crown. The Sigs under the leadership of co-captains Sonny Dale and Bob Scheu of the freshman squad had little trouble in subduing their opponents.

Basketball

The interfraternity basketball play-offs began Monday afternoon with the Psi U's piling up a 36-27 win over the Chi Psi's. In the other game of the afternoon, the Lambda Chi's ran up a score of 38-14 to win over the Theta Delt's for the championship of their division.

In the Psi U-Chi Psi tilt, Bob Henry's accurate shooting and excellent floor work were outstanding for the winners. The game was a hard fought one, and the score close throughout the first half.

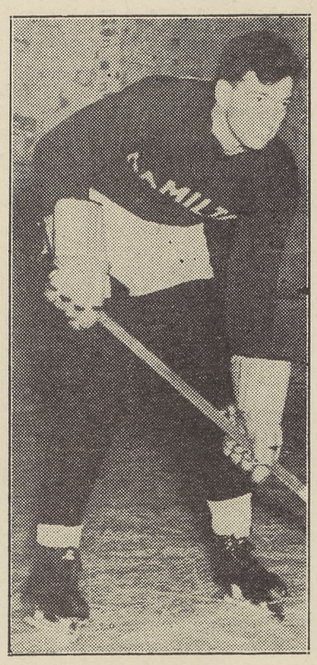
The Lambda Chi team was paced by Bill Day whose deadly aim rang up 23 points for the victors.

The Lambda Chi's will meet the Psi U's and Chi Psi's later this week to determine the championship.

Track

The annual indoor interfraternity track meet will be held next week, according to an anouncement made by Coach Winters. The defending champs will be the Squires.

Captains Ice Squad



Murray H. Gardner, '40

Barlow Leads Ski Team in Scoring

Squad Has Only Mediocre Success in Four Meets, Clarkson Defeated

Hamilton's infant ski team ended its second season of competition recently by taking part in an invitational meet at Cornell. This tourney was the fourth of the year for the Continentals who managed to annex one victory in the lot.

During the winter the Buff and Blue skiers met ten colleges. Namely, Hobart, Colgate, Syracuse, R. P. I., Union Penn. State, Clarkson, St. Lawrence, and Cornell. A home contest with Clarkson on the Turkey Hill trail was the only meet which saw the Hillmen on the long end of a lop sided score.

Individual honors went to Captain Bill Barlow who led the team with five first places, two seconds, and one third. Joe Cardamone followed with two firsts, two seconds, and two thirds. Next in order were George Bonney, only sophomore member, who took two first places and two seconds; Ham Gouge with one first, and Henry

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Sport Notes

By W. J. Roider, '39

We happened to run across an article in the "Syracuse Daily Orange" sports section the other day which gave us a few mild snickers, and since times are hard on sports columnists right at the present, we would like to hand it down to you—anyway, it takes up space.

It seems that institutions in the far West are experiencing a few difficulties in subsidizing athletics and still keeping their brawney gladiators within scholastic bounds of eligibility.

The sports editor of the paper on one Western campus, becoming highly indignant over the ineligibility of several star ball carriers of that college, therefore devised an examination which he believed should be made an example for all college professors to consult when faced with the problem of testing the mental abilities of the broad chested athletes in their classes before a Saturday big-game.

The entire system is based on the requirement of smart professors—smart enough to draw up examinations with only appropriate questions. The questions, according to the author, should be patterned after those printed below:

1. What was Napoleon Bonaparte's first name?
2. If amicability was the motive in saving the life of John Smith, colonist, who saved his life, and why did Pocahontas do it?
3. Who invented the Colt revolver?
4. How many Louis's preceded Louis the XV, how many Edwards preceded Edward the VIII, and how many Alexanders preceded Alexander the I? (Answer two out of three.)
5. When was the war of 1812?
6. What brand of coffee was served at the Boston tea party?
7. In what month does April Fool's day occur?
8. Did Thomas Edison invent the Bell telephone? Well, who did then?
9. Where was the Treaty of Versailles signed?
10. Who wrote Benjamin Franklin's autobiography?
11. Who killed cock robin or did the chicken come first?

(This last question is still somewhat debatable. No credit will be deducted for wrong answer. Correct answer, however, will make candidate a Phi Beta Kappa and automatically render him eligible for a Rhodes scholarship).

Hill Fencers Defeated by M.I.T., Williams Wins Three Epee Bouts

Adair Wins Two Foils Bouts, Nine Men Oppose Bostonians

In a meet which was much closer than the score would indicate, Hamilton's fencers went down to defeat, 17-10, at the hands of M. I. T. on Saturday afternoon. The contest was held at the Boston institution. The evenness of the two teams was shown by the fact that seven of the bouts lost by the Buff and Blue were 5-4 contests, while three of those dropped by the Engineers were by the same margin.

Coach Gelas' men were outstanding in the epee events. Captain Bob Williams captured all three of his matches, while Steve Kelly and George Thompson each took one and dropped two bouts. Arja Adair led in the foils division by winning two matches and losing one. Pete Warfield was victorious in one out of three bouts; Bob La Force, also a foilsman, was defeated in all three starts.

The Buff and Blue swordsmen were particularly weak in the saber division, winning but two of their nine matches. Tex Bramley and Dick Allen each captured one bout, while Tom Platt failed to crash into the win column in his three tries.

Outstanding for M. I. T. were Beck and Adelson. The latter was entered in all three divisions. He won two of the foils contests in which he participated and, in addition, captured two epee and one saber match.

This Saturday the Hamilton swordsmen will face Syracuse in the Hill gymnasium. Although this is the final contest of the season, the Continental fencers will participate in the Intercollegiate matches to be held in New York City on March 31 and April 1.

Alpha Delts Defeated By Deke Sextet in Beer Battle

For the third time in three years, the Dekes and the Alpha Delts met on the ice last Monday night to do battle for a keg of beer. For the third time in three years the Alpha Delts will be hosts to the Dekes.

The Dekes, sending onto the ice a team which strangely resembled this year's varsity, won handily by a 6-4 margin.

Interclass Fencing Begins

Interclass fencing began Monday when a junior-senior aggregation triumphed over the sophomores.

Fencing for the junior-seniors were Glen, Hawley, Wilson, and Hansmann. Representing the sophomores were Berkowitz, Eisengrein, the Underwoods, Millner, Peach, Samuel Smith, and Moon.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ
On Page Four

1. Square Root. (Elihu Root.)
2. Six.
3. Joe Gadbaw.
4. Brown suit with a green tie.
5. "Pink Lady" (It's a drink.)
6. Otto. (He ain't got no pedigree.)
7. Hamilton College Glee Club.
8. Prestige value.
9. Because of his "Scotties".

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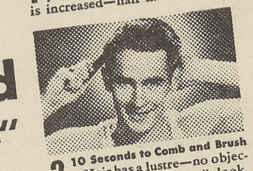

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EDITOR'S DESK—

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Sebring was just downright lying the other night.

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We are in receipt of a letter from the National Fifty Years in Business Club, stating that as **Life** began publication in 1889, we are now eligible for membership. The thought of **Life** having a golden anniversary is almost too much to bear, and on this, our fiftieth milestone, let us pause and do homage to the enraged student who was our founder. It's true. The way **Life** was born was through a personal grievance which a student held. He thought he was going to get an assistant's teaching job, but the faculty turned him down, and so he up and started **Life**; and it's still doing business at the old stand.

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The drawn swords between the faculty and the UA's are being sheathed again this week, pending a report from field-marshall Graves, who is off studying the best methods of attack. His return and directions will set off the conflict, and we are now engaged in getting our successors ready to carry on the fight. Ah, us. Fifty years with but a single purpose.

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We've never had a chance to put this in before, so here it comes now. We're convinced that the freshmen have subdued the sophomores. Not a single hockey-game fight this year. We're afraid that this is some sort of record, as we can remember no time during the last four years where there hasn't been at least one frosh-soph scrap. We deplore the passing of tradition, and passed it must be, as there remains but nine days before the freshmen get their present actions sanctioned and can leave off their green hats without the slightest twinge of conscience.

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Another letter addressed to ye ed is a rather fiery document complaining about non-delivery of Life. We took the matter up with the business manager, saw the address was correct, and that our writer's issue, properly marked, was put into the mailing box every week. What more we can do than that we don't know, but we are trembling at the remark made in the letter that the writer would be forced to call the matter to Dr. Cowley's attention if we didn't do something pretty soon. What can we do? Stand up and take it from the president, or write a nasty letter to Mr. Farley and all his henchmen?

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We've observed Mr. Fancher carefully polishing up a big two-barrelled shotgun in preparation for next year's broadcast. The minute the announcer gets out the word "glee", there will be an explosion, and Mr. Fancher's face will not have to go through that change it underwent thanks to Mr. Cross this year. Glee club indeed!

PLATTER PATTER

By R. S. W.

The orchestras of Eddy Duchin, Guy Lombardo, Hal Kemp, and Freddy Martin are a few of the sweet bands which have enjoyed great popularity. All four were helped to the top by distinctive blending of certain of the instruments in the orchestra. Eddy Duchin became known because of his incomparable piano playing, Freddy Martin was aided immeasurably by his novel use of muted trumpets, Guy Lombardo became famous for his superbly blended saxaphones, and Hal Kemp was hailed everywhere for his "triple-tonguing" in the trumpet section.

Two orchestras which are now trying to break into big time with distinctive styles are Gray Gorden and Blue Barron. Neither of these outfits, however, make any important contributions to the style war. Bluebird recently released six sides by Gorden, who calls his style "Tic-Toc Music". The numbers concerned are, "After Looking At You", "I Kissed You In A Dream Last Night", "The Moon Is A Silver Dollar", "It's All New To Me", "Sell Your Cares Away For A Song", and "Blue Italian Waters". Most of these are sung by Cliff Grass, a Vallee with a mid-western accent. Pleasing, unspectacular arrangements feature all six sides, the best of which is "The Moon Is A Silver Dollar". This tune will undoubtedly enjoy some brief success. "Blue Italian Waters" and "Sing Your Cares" show the orchestra at its weakest, the treatment of these melodies being singularly unimpressive, unoriginal, and unimportant. Vocals by The Four Gorden Goons do not help one iota.

As for the Music of Yesterday and Today Styled the Blue Barron Way, there seems to be some hope for improvement which make this a big name band. One of the chief liabilities of this aggregation is vocalist Cheerful Charlie Fischer, who is somewhat of a mirthful Morton Downey. One of the chief assets of the band is its selection of numbers which are suitable to its style. Two recent Bluebird couplings were "Love Doesn't Grow On Trees" with "Heart and Soul". and "I Hadn't Anyone 'Till You" with a "In A Little Dutch Kindergarden".

For more sweet swinging of hit tunes hear Sammy Kaye on Victor, one of whose better efforts is the pairing of the Mercer-Donaldson song "Could Be" and the omnipresent "Penny Serenade".

To inject one swing into a column devoted to the sweet we report that Elisse Cooper is in excellent voice on Eddie DeLange's revival of "What Are Little Girls Made of?" This is a good number and is backed by "New Shoes Blues", one of Delange's best instrumental numbers since the days of "The Organ Grinder Swing" and "Eight Bars In Search Of A Melody".

Life Presents Makeup Intelligence Test For Flunkees of Former Examinations

Adhering to its usual policy of presenting items of great intellectual value, **Hamilton Life** again presents a quiz which it hopes will tax the mentalities of the Hill proletariat to the greatest extent. Count ten for each question and see how near fifty you can get.

1. Among the following, who was or is the most famous? Cube Root, Square Root, Chuck Root, or Irrational Root.
2. When the Dean spies on Chipsie beer parties, how many windows in his house would he be able to use for this purpose? One, three, five, six, none.
3. The Hill's pool champ (billiards) is: Joe Gadbaw, "Toddy" Todman, John Debernardis, "Abdomen Al "Cady".
4. If you met "Swampy" on the Campus, you would expect him to be wearing a: crushed mulberry cravat, a green suit with a brown tie, a brown suit with a green tie, nothing.
5. If you went to Baker's, and we mean the uptown one, you would order: lilies of the valley, a pink lady, two "cokes".
6. One of the following "Mutts" doesn't belong on the Campus "Tucker", "Noodle", "Otto", "Galon".
7. If you listened to the "Magic Key" on Sunday, you will know that Mr. Fancher's charges were announced by "Milt" Cross as: The Hamilton College Glee Club, The Hamilton College Choir, The Hamilton College Octet.
8. Prof. Patton grades his classes by: Intuition, crystal gazing, prestige value, diminishing returns, net worth.
9. "Stink" Saunders sold his "30" Ford and bought a "29": because he needed the money, because he had no regard for prestige value, because of his "Scotties".

EDITOR WARNS—

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A member of the staff asked next, "What salary does the average reporter receive?"

The answer was short and conclusive. "There is no such thing."

When questioned as to how he got in the Herald-Tribune, Mr. Sebring said, "It was just a lucky accident, and something that wouldn't happen again in a thousand years. I got my start on a Schenectady paper, through a friend, during my sophomore year in college. I worked on a so-called part time job which ran from 2 a. m. to 2 p. m. I've never yet learned what a full time job required."

After college, Mr. Sebring spent five years with the Associated Press and several years more with other organizations, "never staying more than eight months in one place." In 1929, getting a bit tried of a nomadic life, he walked into the Herald-Tribune office, asked for a job, and got it. He has never since been able to figure out why.

"And now," he said, "I'm night city editor and getting crazier every year."

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"It never fails to surprise me," Mr. Sebring concluded, "that we are able to get a paper out at all. The job looks impossible to us right up to the deadline, and we regard the first issue off the press as a miracle of some sort."

"Of course, we never read our own paper. It's easier to look for mistakes in another one."

CHOIR ENJOYS—

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busses to make the Hill. Either the snow proved too much for the engines, or the choir men had too much weight gathered in their eyelids; but in all events, transportation facilities stopped just above the Lamba Chi House, and the choir men had to climb out, take up their bags, and trek their weary way up the Hill to the various dorms and fraternity houses.

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Students Accept Council Plan In Chapel

With a unanimous vote the Undergraduate Association this morning approved the new Student Council Plan which last week was drawn up and recommended by an Executive Council committee.

Martin L. Hilfinger, president of the Executive Council, chairmaned the meeting right after Chapel. He discussed the proposed plan at length, and William Erickson moved that the plan be adopted. The motion was seconded and passed, and the meeting was adjourned.

SKI TEAM—

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Eagle with two seconds.

Although lack of experience still handicapped this year's outfit, considerable improvement was shown over the record of the preceeding year. All of the men comprising the present varsity will be returning to the trails next winter and should benefit from their intercollegiate competition.

Capt. Bill Barlow was president of the New York State Intercollegiate Ski Association during the past season and was recently named secretary-treasurer of the organization for the coming year.

Barlow was named honorary captain of the present ski team at a meeting of the lettermen.

An interclass tournament at Turkey Hill has been postponed twice, but, according to Coach Winters, there may still be an opportunity to hold it.

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Squires Receive Bible and Gavel

In a meeting of the Squires Club held last night in Commons, President Cowley presented a gavel and Bible to Robert Lewis, founder and head of the organization. The gifts were given the Squires by Mr. and Mrs. Isador Lewis, parents of the leader.

In presenting the inscribed tokens, President Cowley urged the non-fraternity group to continue to grow and increase in strength and usefulness. Lewis responded by declaring that he will use the symbols of authority and power to the best of his ability and then pass them on to his successor.

President Remsen G. Ogilby of Trinity College was present at the affair and spoke a few words as did Mr. Coughlin, Dr. Liedke, Prof. Dealey, and Prof. McKinney.

The Squire Club is the first real attempt to organize the neutral body in the college's history. The new organization, although it has been established under a constitution and president for only nine weeks, has already made great strides towards improving the social life of the non-fraternity man at Hamilton. Many gifts have been received by the Squires to add a home-like atmosphere to their room in Commons.

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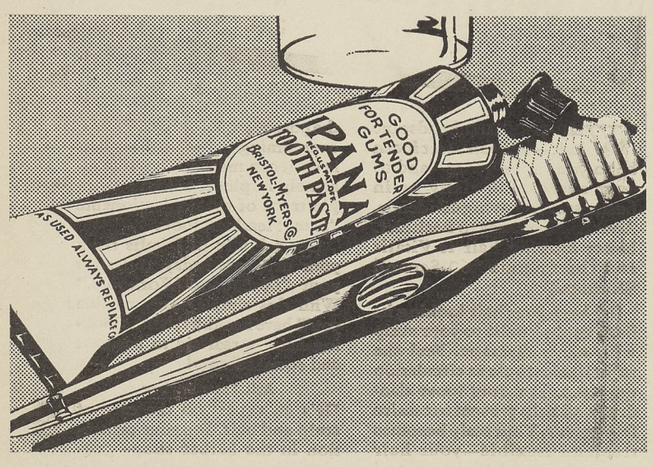

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